## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE HEALTH LAW SECTION OF THE IDAHO STATE BAR

October 6, 2011

IN ATTENDANCE:

John Burke, Eileen Casal, Tom Donovan, Richard Fields, Matthew Gordon, D. Michelle Gustavson, Joe McCollum, Jr., Kendall Miller, Tom Mortell, Christine Neuhoff, Rebecca O'Neill, Mark Peterson, Kim Stanger, Robert Wakefield (via telephone), Mike Wheiler (via telephone), Jeffrey Wilson, Mike Woodhouse,

**BUSINESS:** 

The minutes from the August 4, 2011 meeting were approved.

Mark Peterson led a discussion on how to attract more section members to attend section meetings beyond finding high-quality speakers addressing topics of interest to the group. Some of the suggestions offered by section members were:

- Conduct a survey of section members (perhaps via "survey monkey") to learn the memberships' interests and to expand the list of possible speakers;
- Have the meetings later in the day and combine them with an after-meeting happy hour;
- Encourage more non-private sector attorneys to attend;
- Encourage more attorneys who practice health law on a part-time basis to attend;
- Invite members of other sections to attend particular presentations of mutual interest; and
- Have active section members located in other parts of the state organize lunches at local offices and invite members in their area to participate as a group in the section meeting via teleconference.

In response to a question, Mark Peterson informed (and has now confirmed) that the next issue of *The Advocate* to be sponsored by the health law section is the June 2012 issue.

PRESENTATION:

Christine Neuhoff gave a presentation on health insurance exchanges under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.